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DON'T THROW THAT MATCH! Emmy Destinn Coming Back To the Opera

By Sylvester Rawling.

E MMY DESTINN is coming back to the Metropolitan Opera Company. The good news was announced last night from the stage of the Hippodrome, where stage of the Hippodrome, where Mms. Destinn was the star of the Sousa concert. A radiant vision, reduced almost to sylph-like proportions, she had sung arias from "Herodiade," "Mms. Butterfly" and "Il Trovatore" with a voice as lovely and as opulent as when first she sang to us. The storms of applause that she had received became a hurricane when the statement was made. When it had subsided she kissed Mr. Sousa squarely on the mouth with such a resounding smack that the audience roared.

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o'clock last night, that it is for two
years, and that her first appearance
will be as Eisa in "Lohengrin" a week
from to-night. Now, if only Lucrezia
Bori could get back her voice—she
tooked weil and was in good spirits
when I met her the other day—and
Mr. Gatti-Casazza could see his way
clear to engaging Nellie Melba, if
even for only a few guest performances, some of the lustre that the
season has lacked might show itself.
The men are sufficient, but the new
women singers have been a disappointment. Frieda Hempel, Frances
Alda, Melanie Kurt, Margarete Matzenauer and Margarete Ober should
not be expected to carry all the
burden.

After an absence of seven years from the repertory, Flotow's "Marta" came back to the Metropolitan Opera House on Saturday afternoon. It was welcomed by a capacity audience, with hundreds turned away. The cast included Caruso. Frieda Hempel, Margarete Ober, Gluseppe de Luca, Pompilio Malatesta and Riccardo Tegani, Mr. Bavagnoli conducting. Neither Caruso nor Mise Hempel was at ease at first, but they improved steadily. Mme. Ober was not at her best, probably because of indisposition, for Margarete Matrenauer is announced to take her place as Azucena in to-night's 'Il Trovatore' for that cause. All the old tunes, especially "The Last Rose of Summer," were rewarded with vociferous applause, rewarded with vociferous applause seventh heaven of delight.

In the evening "Madama Butterfly"
was sung for the benefit of the Italian Benevolent Institute and Hospital, with Louisa Villani in the name part, and Flora Perini as Suzuki, both for the first time here. Marti-nelli and Scotti also were in the cast, Mr. Polacco conducting.

Waiter Damrosch and the Symphony Society Orchestra at Acolian Hall vesterday afternoon, before a capacity audience, gave a fine exposition of Dvorak's lovely "From the New World" symphony. Mr. Damrosch evidently has been studying it anew. Ravel's odd "Ma Mere l'Oye" (Mother Goose) was also well played. Besides,

that eminent flutist George Barrere Schubert, Mendelssohn and Schumann

was soloist in three dainty eighteenth century bits.

Fritz Kreisier, the Austrian violinist, at Carnegie Hall yesterday afternoon, played to an enormous audience, such as only John McCormack, the Irish tenor, besides himself, can draw. His popular programme ranged from the A major Handel sonata to his own the A major Handel sonata to his own which means that his playing was superb and that his playing was superb and that he evoked enthusiastic applause. Carl Lamson was his accompanist on the plane. and James H. Rogers, sung by Gladys
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